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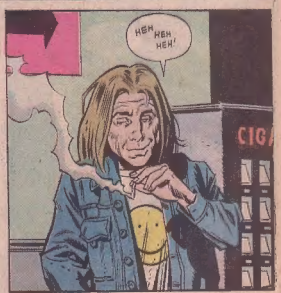

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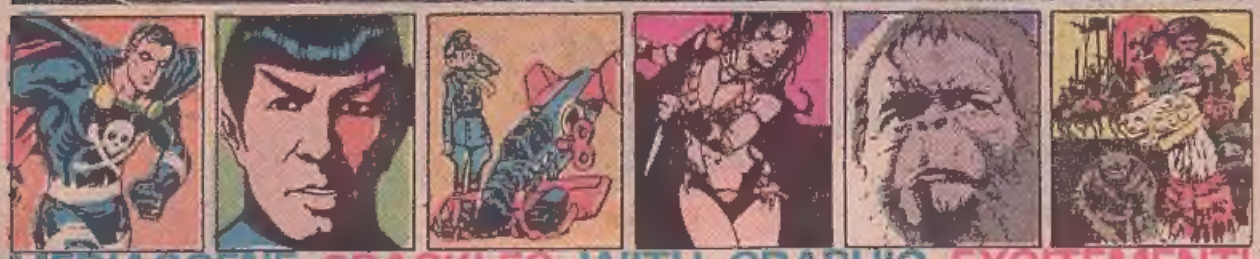

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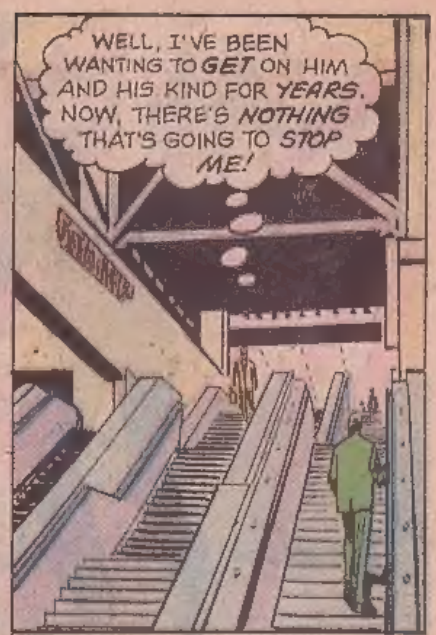
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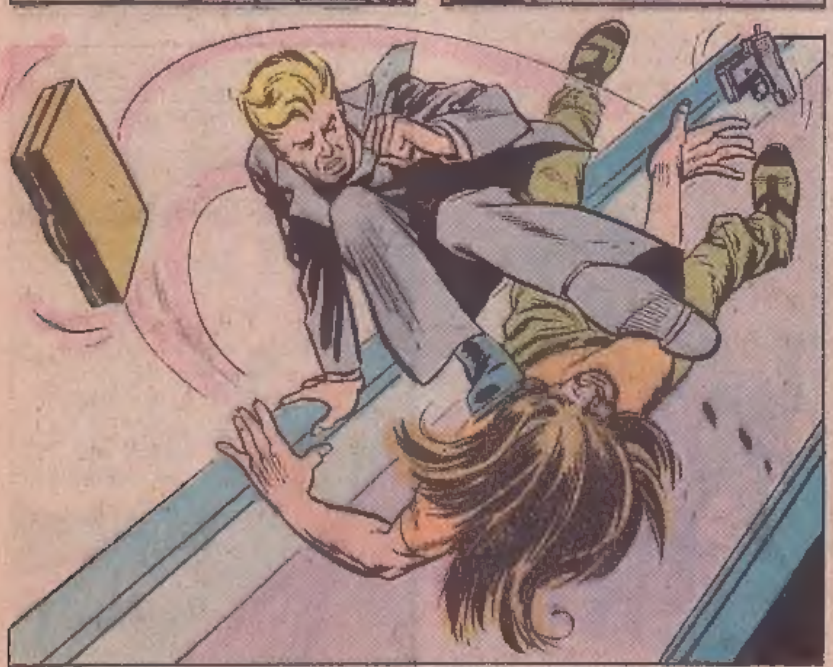

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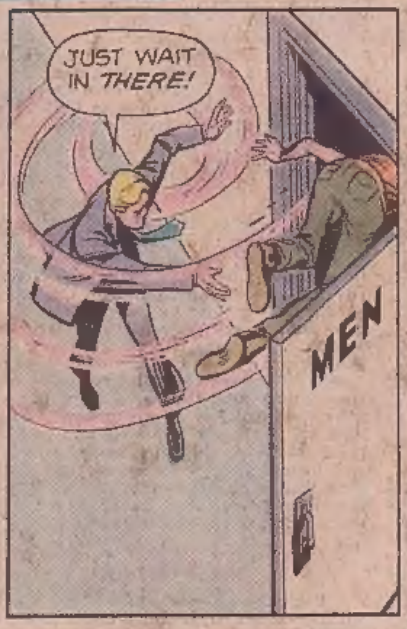
JUST WAIT IN THERE!
MEN

YOU GO TO COLLEGE, CRUD? BOSTON UNIVERSITY, MAYBE?
MAN, I'M BLEEDING! YOU'RE KILLING ME!

NOT YET, BUT I'M CONSIDERING IT! YOU KNOW WHAT THIS IS, FREAK? A NEWSPAPER FROM BOSTON!
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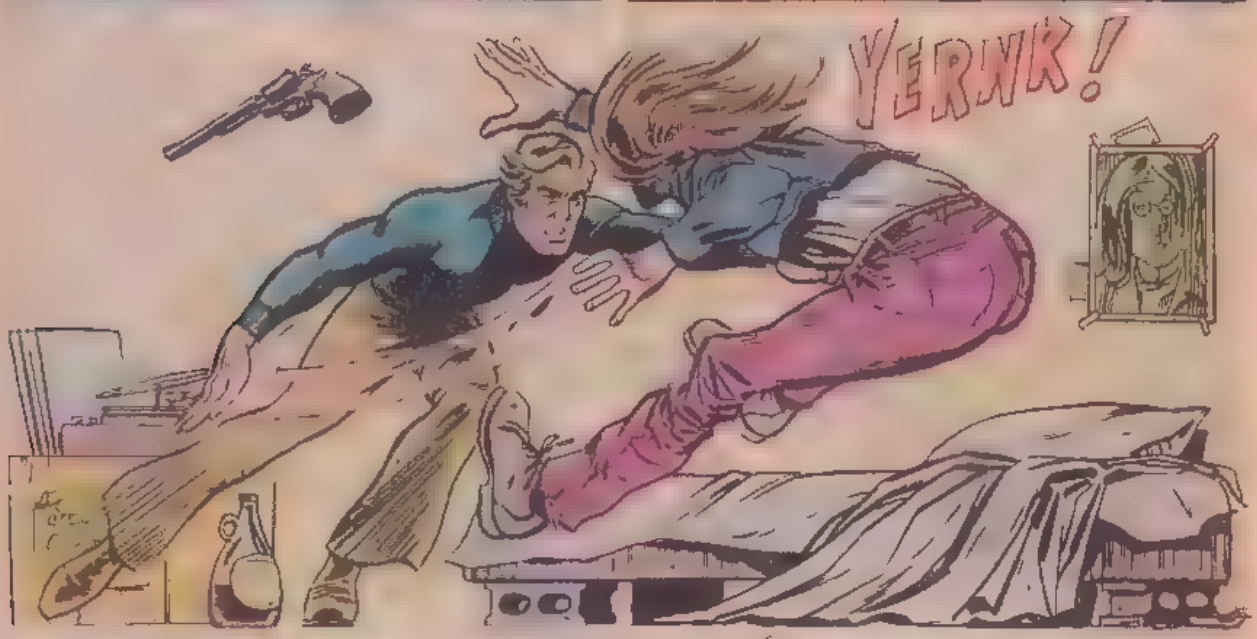
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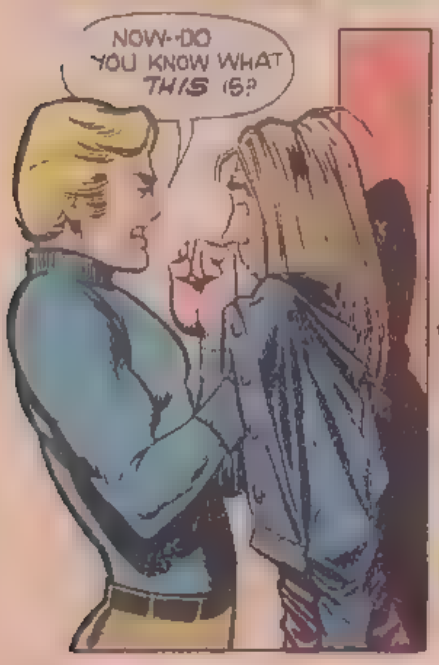
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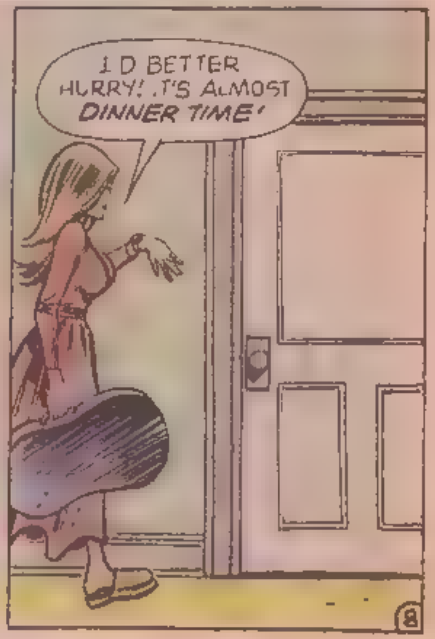
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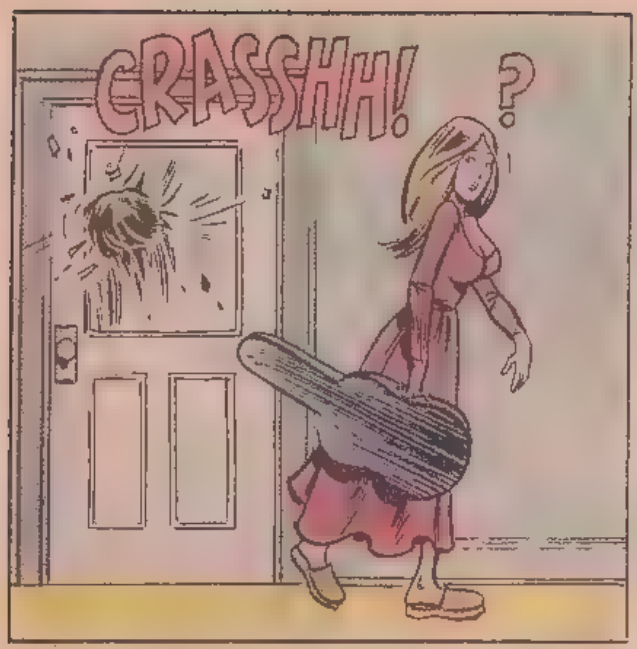
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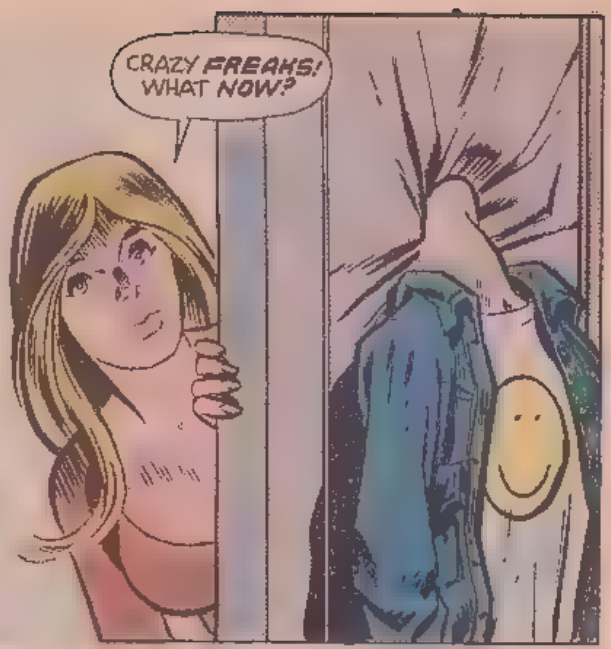
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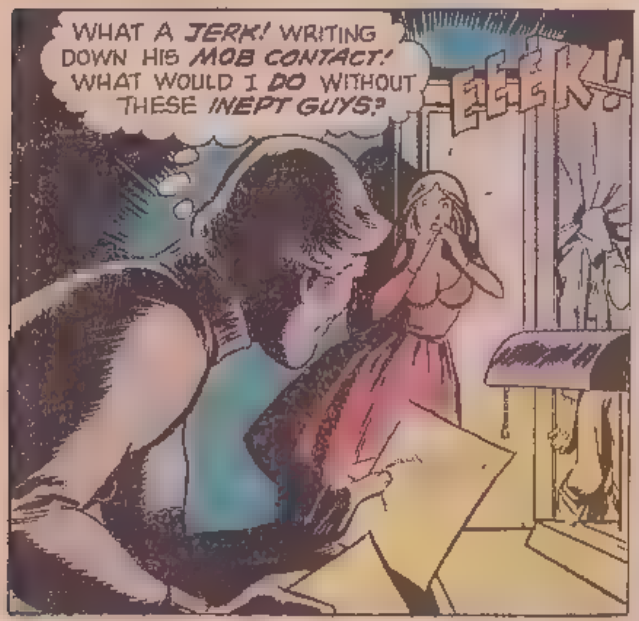
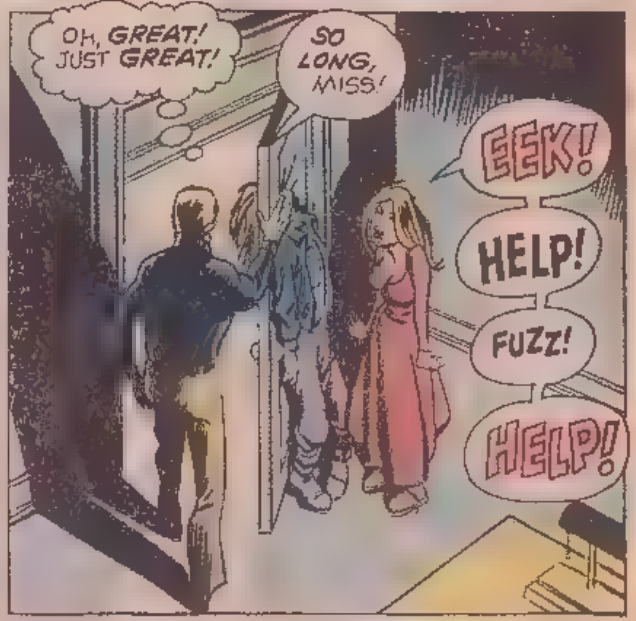

WHAT A JERK! WRITING DOWN HIS MOB CONTACT! WHAT WOULD I DO WITHOUT THESE INEPT GUYS?
EEEK!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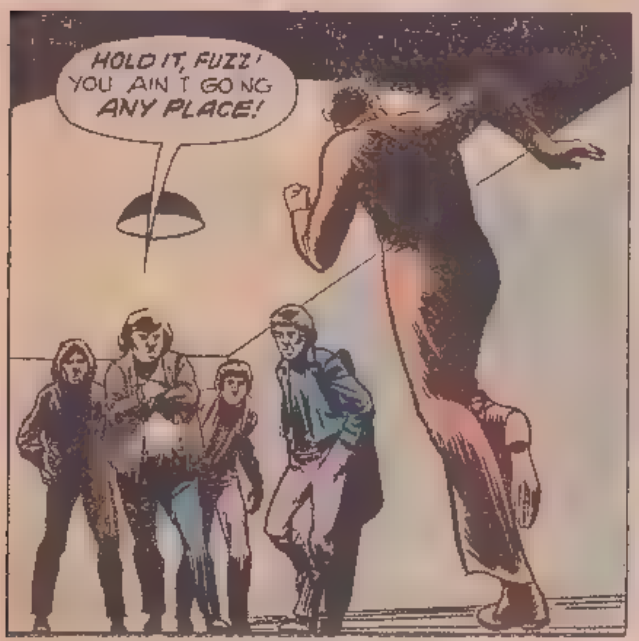
SO LONG, MISS!
EEK!
HELP!
FUZZ!
HELP!


HOLD IT, FUZZ! YOU AIN'T GOING ANY PLACE!

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HAYMARKET SQUARE, EH? LOVELY PLACE FOR A HIT! OH, WELL... MIGHT AS WELL LET THEM HAVE THEIR FUN...
...AND PERHAPS YOU CAN SMELL THE STENCH OF APPROACHING DEATH!
WELL, WELL! ALAN GREENBURG, KILLER EXTRAORDINAIRE!
OH, BOTHER! SLOPPY, BOYS! VERY SLOPPY!
IF ALAN'S IN FRONT OF ME, THAT MEANS
SURE ENOUGH! IF IT ISN'T MICHAEL ROSEN, KNIFE MAN! I WAS NEVER SURE WHETHER OR NOT THEY LET HIM OUT DURING THE DAY!
ADAMS
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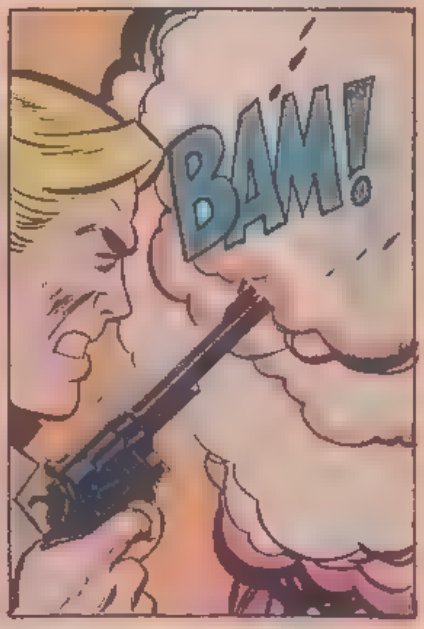
YEAH, COME AND GET IT, BOYS!

TRY! JUST TRY!

CRUNCH!

YOU'VE GOT AN UGLY PUG THERE, PA.

I THINK I'LL REARRANGE IT!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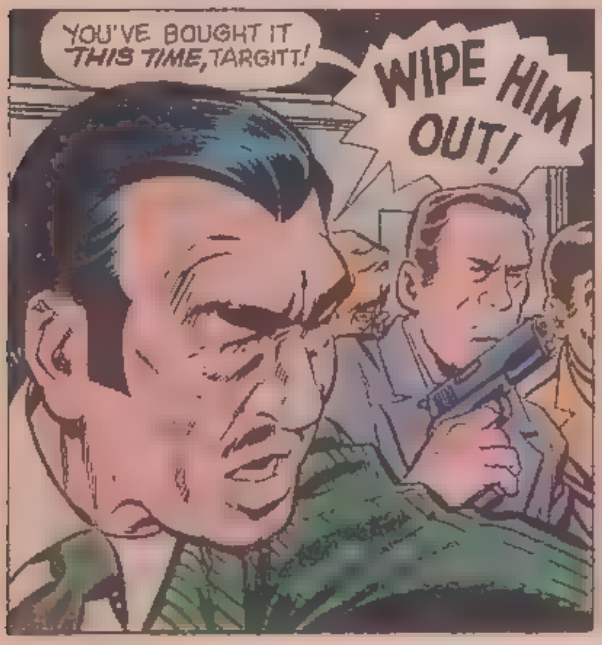
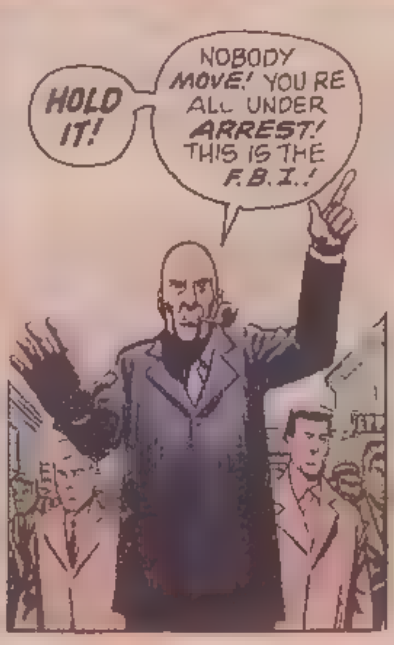
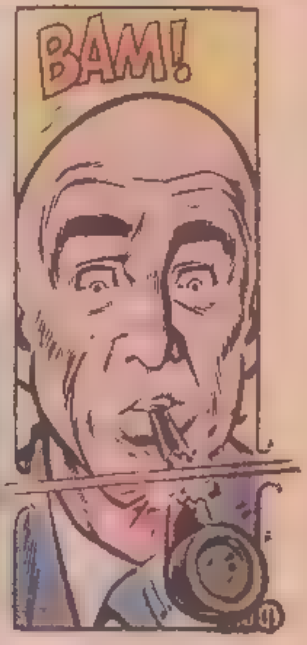

YOU'VE BOUGHT IT THIS TIME, TARGITT!
WIPE HIM OUT!


HOLD IT!
NOBODY MOVE! YOU RE ALL UNDER ARREST! THIS IS THE F.B.I.!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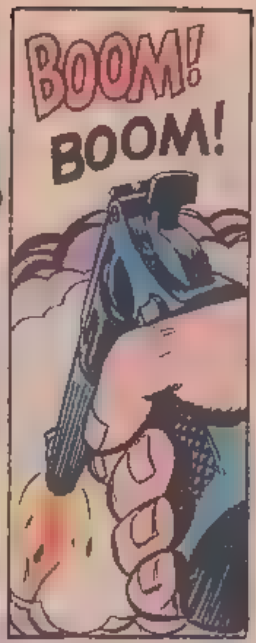
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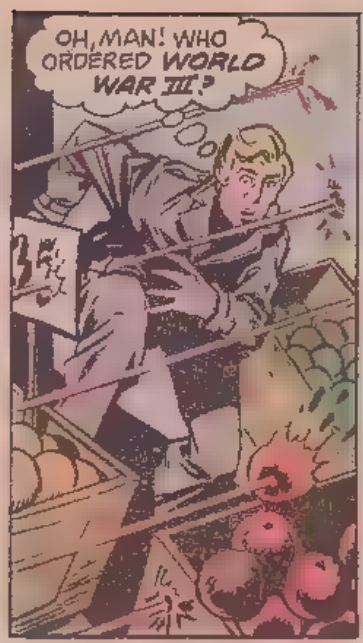
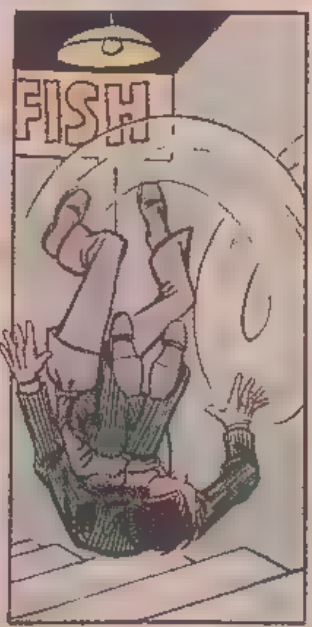

OH, MAN! WHO ORDERED WORLD WAR III?

UH-OH... SPINOIA'S TRYING TO MAKE AN EXIT!
CAN'T SAY I BLAME HIM! BUT THIS WHOLE PERFORMANCE WAS FOR HIM IN THE FIRST PLACE!

NO FAIR LEAVING IN THE MIDDLE, SPINOIA! THE MOVIE ISN'T OVER YET!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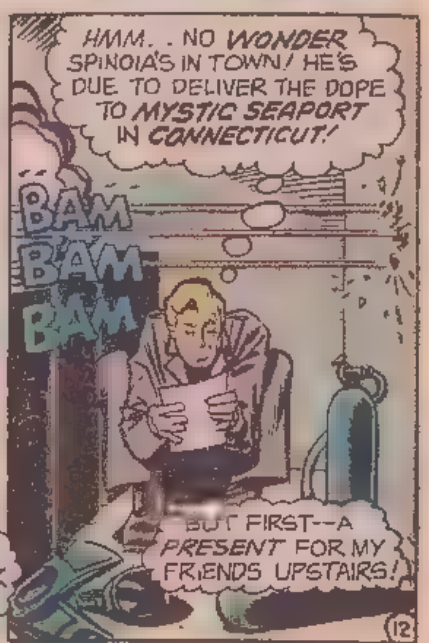
UH-OH! NOT NICE, MISTER!

ALMOST BOUGHT ONE THERE!
BAM!
HUH? WHAT HAVE WE BACK HERE!


HMM. . NO WONDER SPINOIA'S IN TOWN! HE'S DUE TO DELIVER THE DOPE TO MYSTIC SEAPORT IN CONNECTICUT!
BAM
BAM
BAM
BUT FIRST--A PRESENT FOR MY FRIENDS UPSTAIRS!

AND SECONDS LATER, UP ABOVE...

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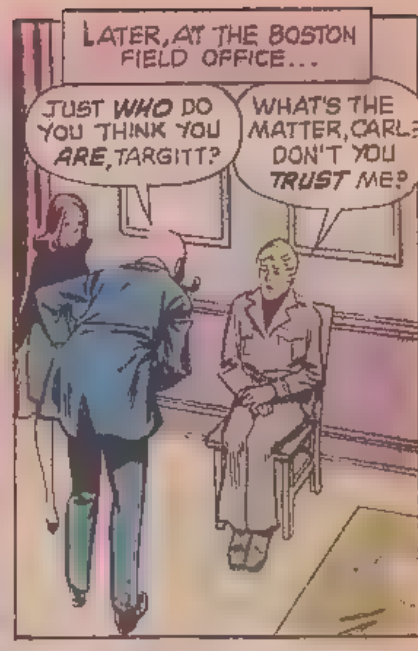
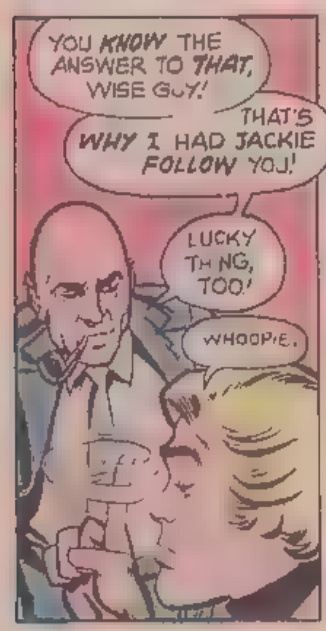
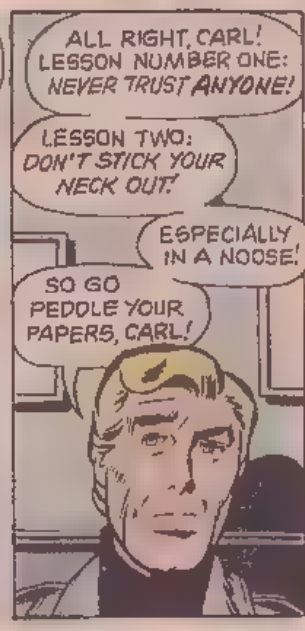
BLOOEY!


LATER, AT THE BOSTON FIELD OFFICE...
JUST WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE, TARGITT?
WHAT'S THE MATTER, CARL? DON'T YOU TRUST ME?

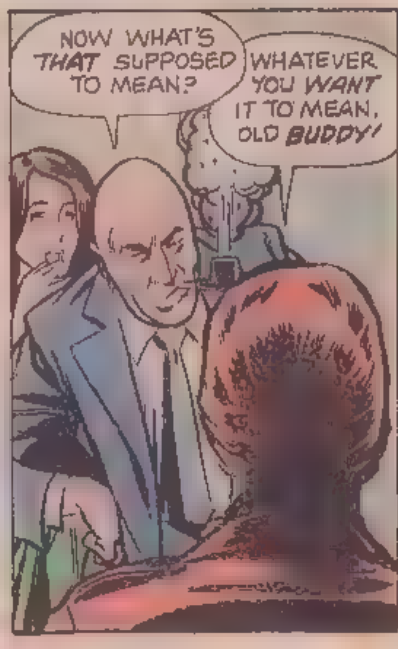

YOU KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT, WISE GUY!
THAT'S WHY I HAD JACKIE FOLLOW YOU!
LUCKY THING, TOO!
WHOOPIE.

ALL RIGHT! ENOUGH OF THIS, TARGITT! I WANT TO KNOW EVERYTHING YOU'VE LEARNED!


ALL RIGHT, CARL! LESSON NUMBER ONE: NEVER TRUST ANYONE!
LESSON TWO: DON'T STICK YOUR NECK OUT!
ESPECIALLY IN A NOOSE!
SO GO PEDDLE YOUR PAPERS, CARL!

OKAY, JOHN! YOU WANT TO PLAY IT THAT WAY, FINE!
EITHER YOU TALK OR...
I'LL MAKE SURE YOU NEVER WORK AGAIN!

OH? DOES THE SYNDICATE CLOSE SHOP ON YOUR ORDERS, CARL?


NOW WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?
WHATEVER YOU WANT IT TO MEAN, OLD BUDDY!

I'M WARNING YOU, JOHN! GO BACK TO L.A.! FORGET ABOUT THIS CRUSADE OF YOURS!
GO SUCK A LEMON, CARL!

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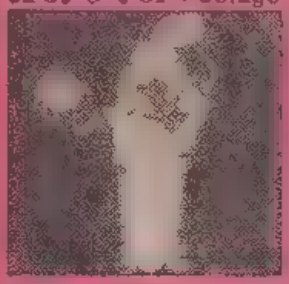

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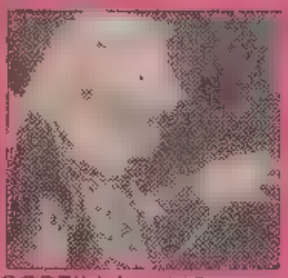

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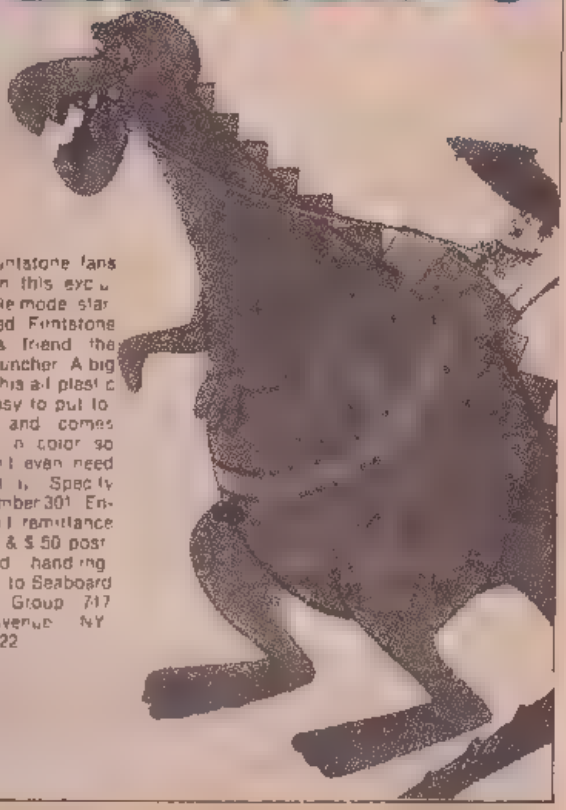

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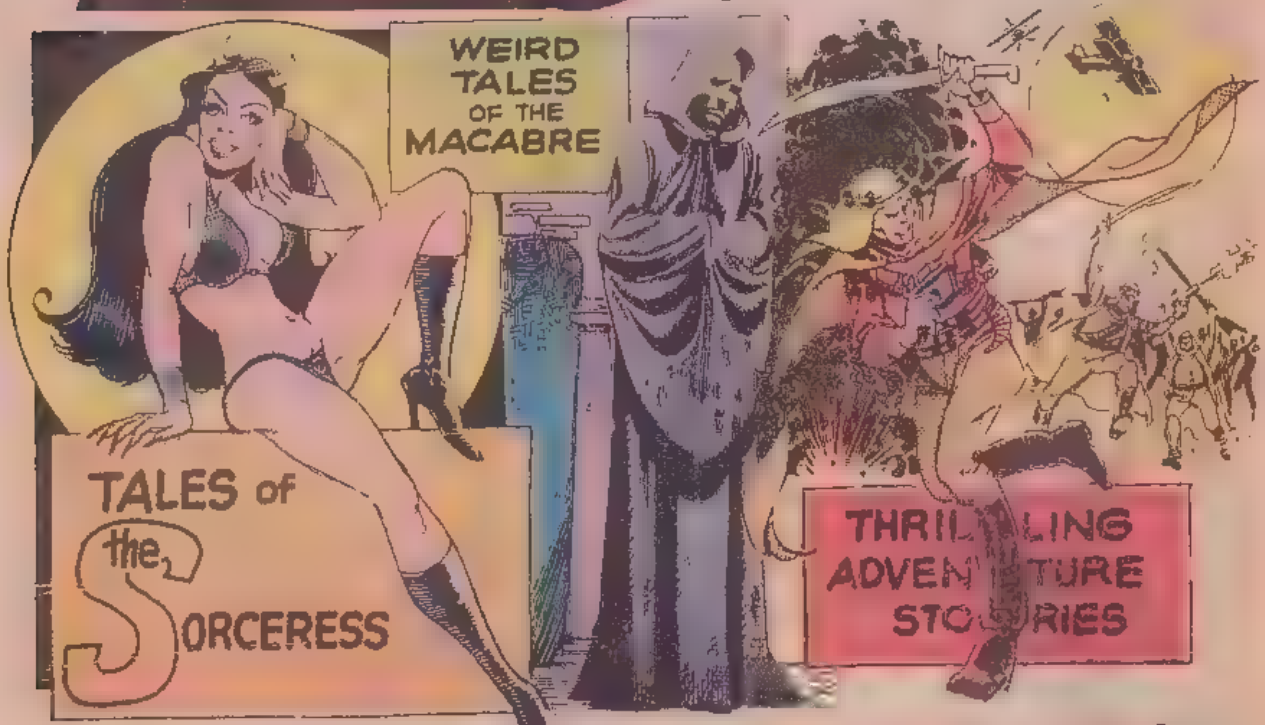

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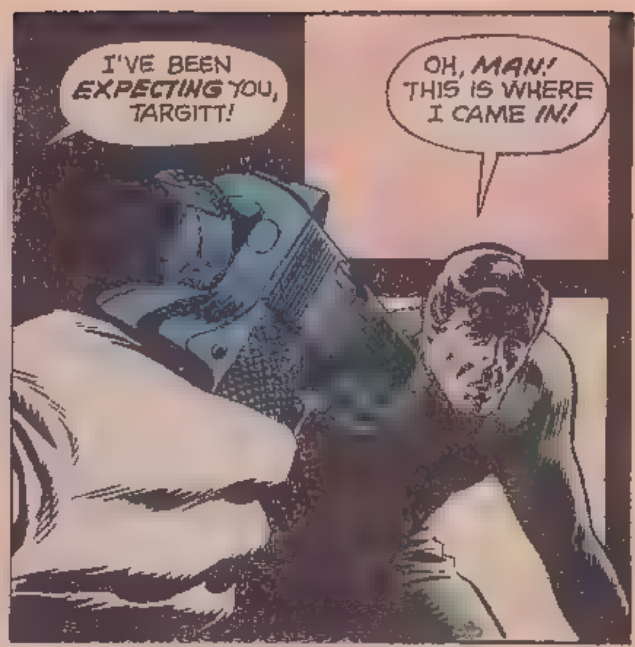
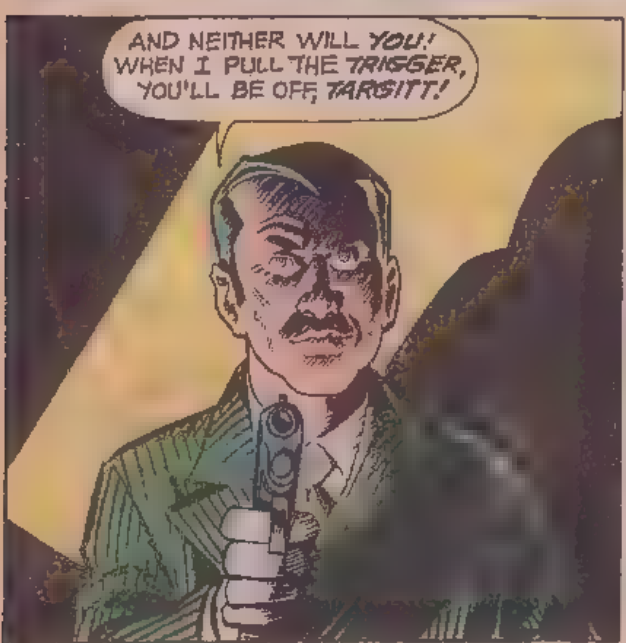
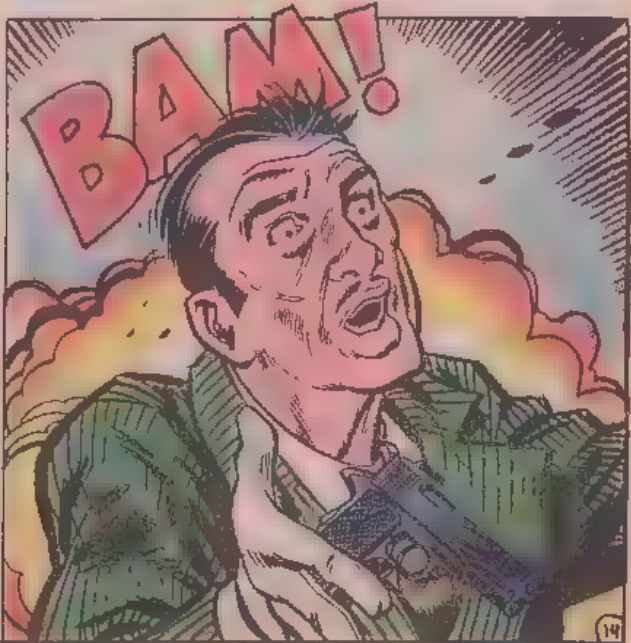

I'VE BEEN EXPECTING YOU, TARGITT!
OH, MAN! THIS IS WHERE I CAME IN!

AND THIS IS WHERE YOU GO OUT, TOO! FOR GOOD! JUST LIKE THE KID HERE!

THE LITTLE IDIOT THOUGHT HE COULD CONTROL THE DRUG DEALERS!
HE NEVER EVEN KNEW WHO HE WAS DEALING WITH!


AND NEITHER WILL YOU! WHEN I PULL THE TRIGGER, YOU'LL BE OFF, TARGITT!

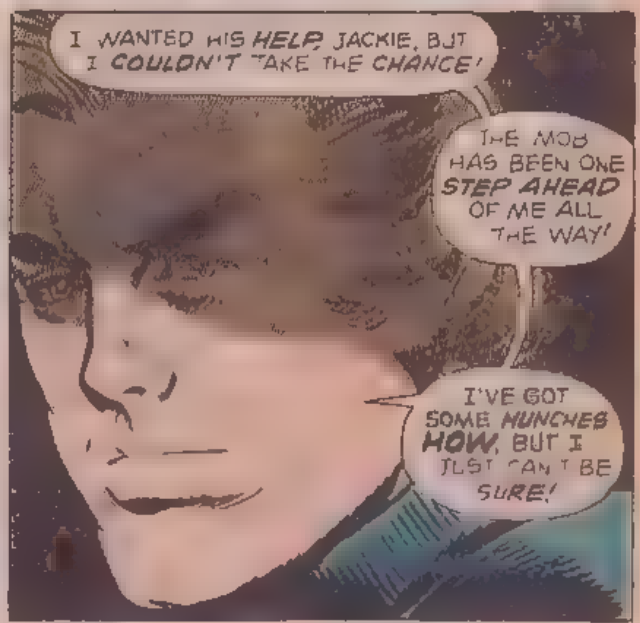

BAM!

JACKIE!

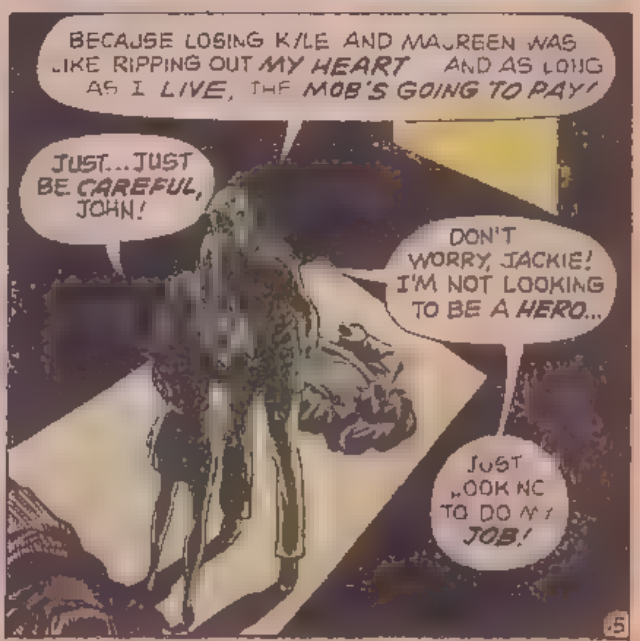
OH, MY GOD, JOHN! WHAT HAVE I DONE?
CARL TOLD ME TO STAY AWAY FROM YOU AND

FORGET CARL, JACKIE! YOU JUST SAVED MY LIFE

WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL CARL ABOUT THIS, JOHN? HE COULD HAVE HELPED!
THAT'S ALL HE REALLY WANTED TO DO. HE JUST GETS A LITTLE CARRIED AWAY SOMETIMES!


I WANTED HIS HELP, JACKIE, BUT I COULDN'T TAKE THE CHANCE!
THE MOB HAS BEEN ONE STEP AHEAD OF ME ALL THE WAY!
I'VE GOT SOME HUNCHES HOW, BUT I JUST CAN'T BE SURE!

BUT IF YOU FEEL THIS WAY WHY ARE YOU GOING AHEAD? WHY ARE YOU STILL TRYING TO AMBUSH THAT DRUG DELIVERY?


BECAUSE LOSING KYLE AND MAUREEN WAS LIKE RIPPING OUT MY HEART AND AS LONG AS I LIVE, THE MOB'S GOING TO PAY!
JUST...JUST BE CAREFUL, JOHN!
DON'T WORRY, JACKIE! I'M NOT LOOKING TO BE A HERO...
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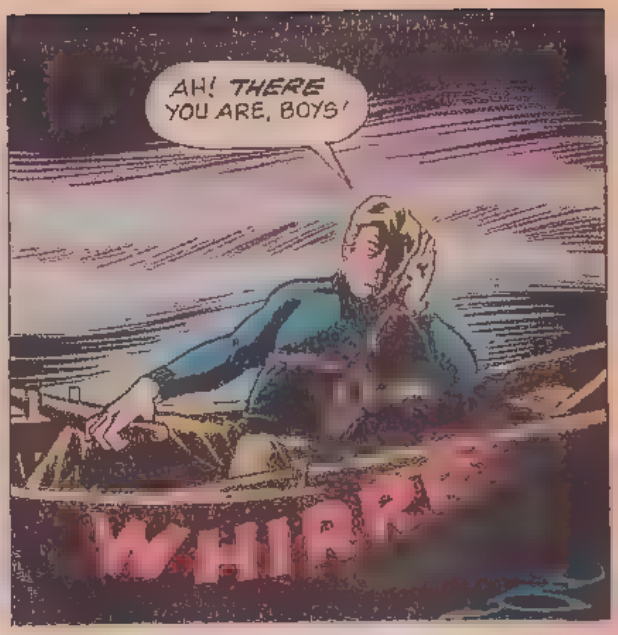
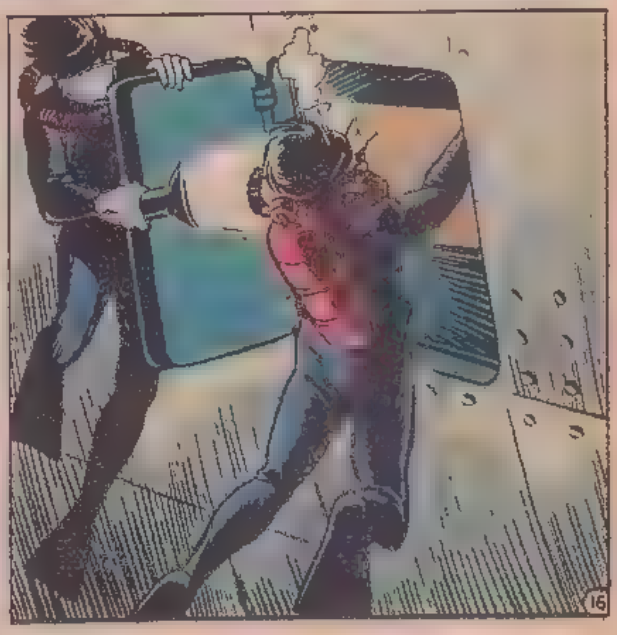
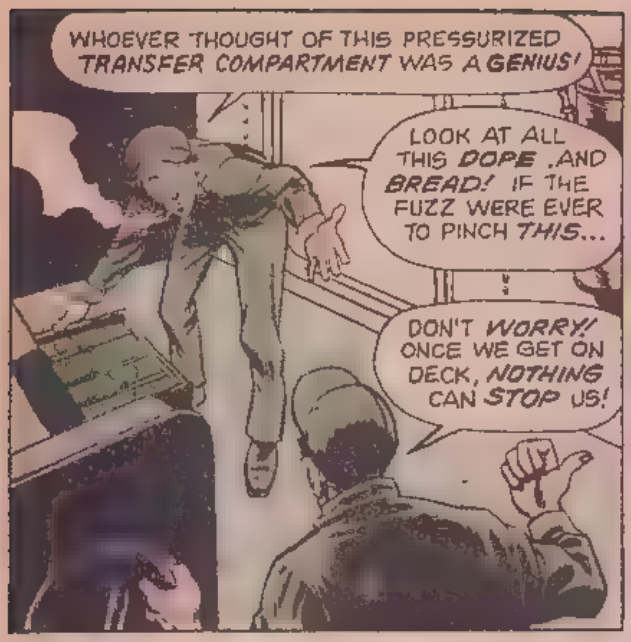

AH! THERE YOU ARE, BOYS!
WHIRR

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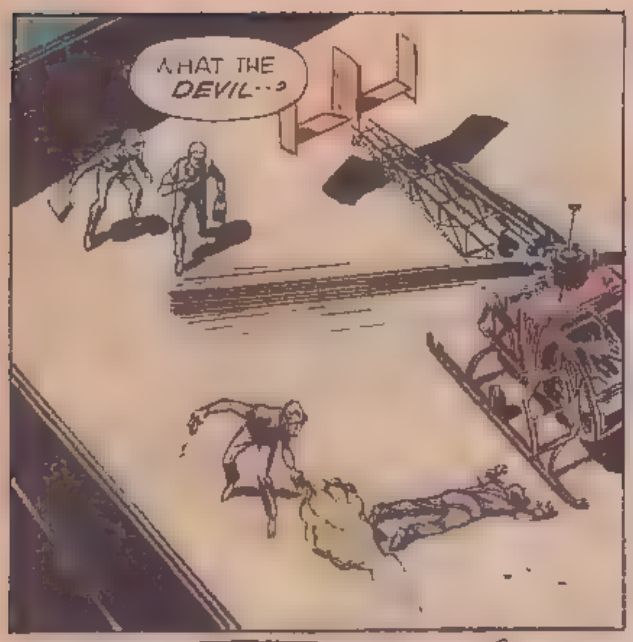
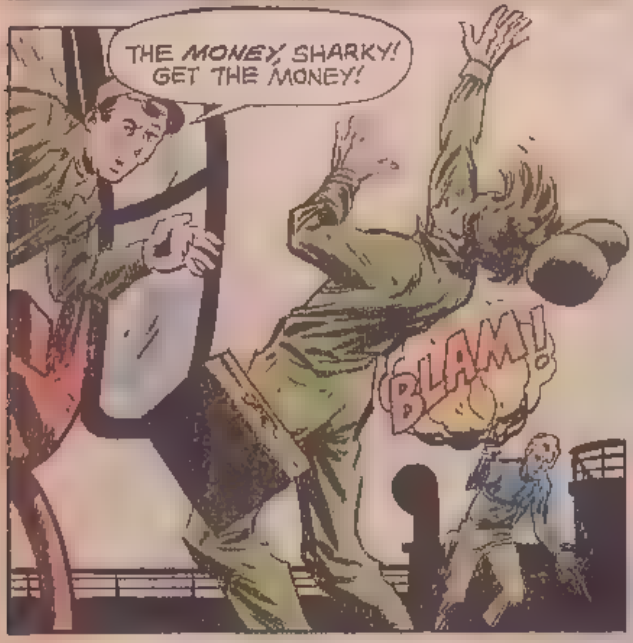
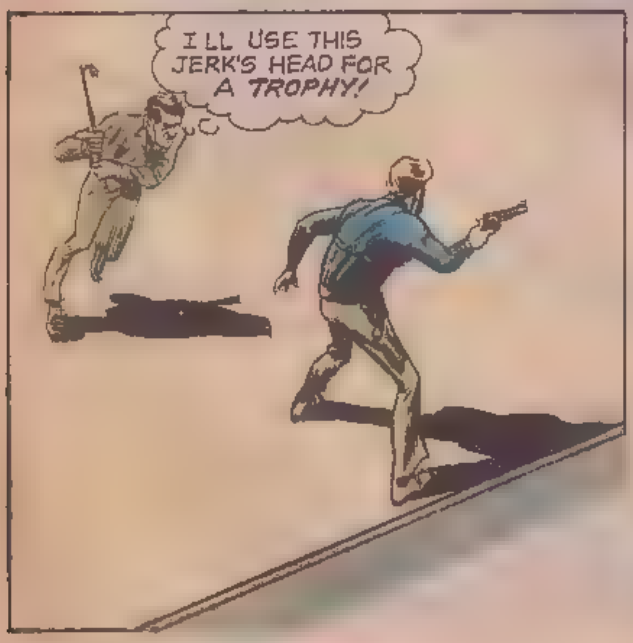
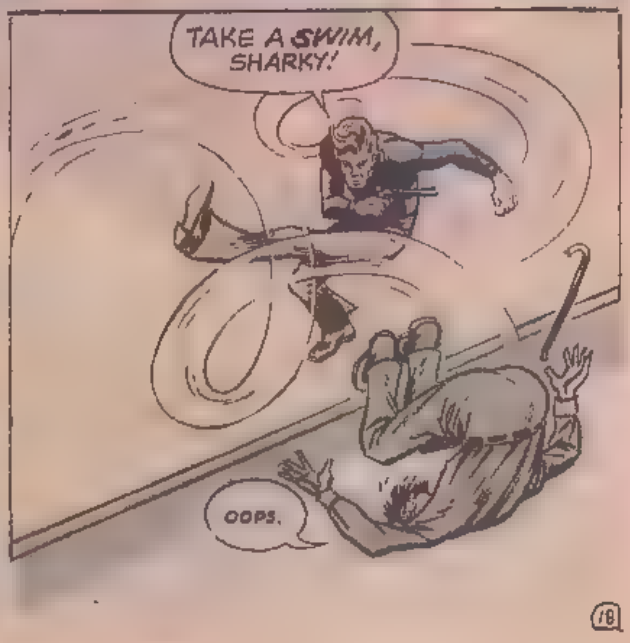

WHAT THE DEVIL--?

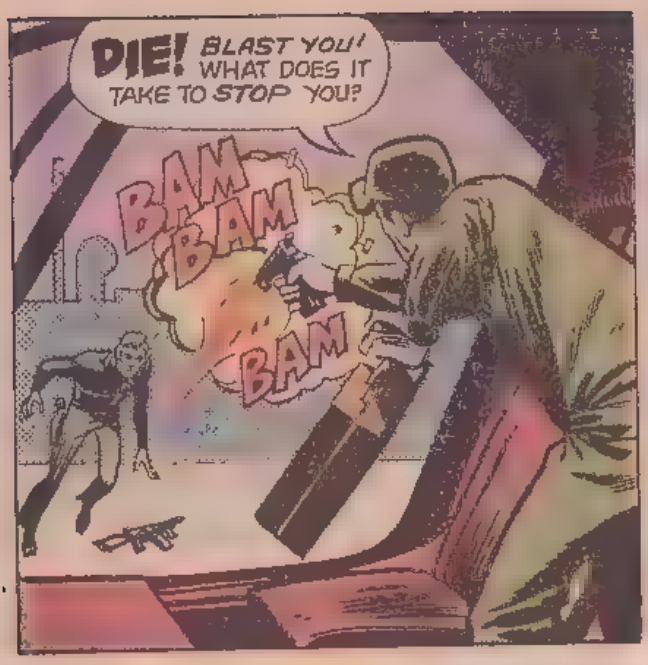
WHO IS THAT GUY? FRANK--QUICK! GET IN!


THE MONEY, SHARKY! GET THE MONEY!
BLAM!

OH, NO, YOU DON'T!
BLAM!


I'LL USE THIS JERK'S HEAD FOR A TROPHY!


TAKE A SWIM, SHARKY!
OOPS.



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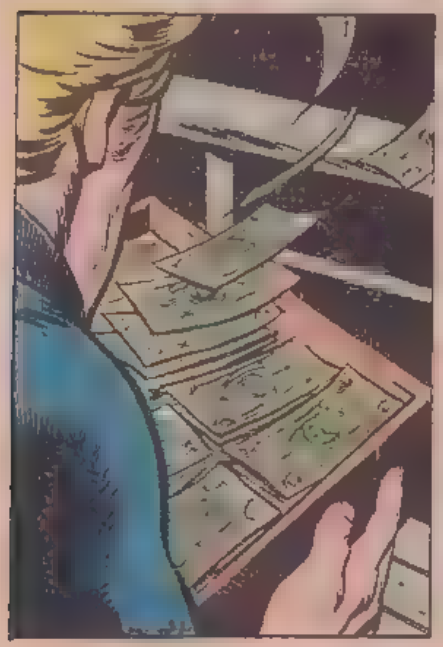

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